



Pre-Season Games
at
Springfield Park
August, 1980

WIGAN ATHLETIC WELCOMES



Saturday, 2nd August
Kick-off 3 p.m.
EAST FIFE

Wednesday, 6th August
Kick-off 7.30 p.m.
CWKS LEGIA

OFFICIAL PROGRAMME 15p.



WELCOME TO CWKS LEGIA (WARSAW)

OVER THE YEARS the Wigan Athletic Football Club has only rarely had the privilege of welcoming European opposition to Springfield Park, but, with the visit of CWKS Legia (Warsaw), local fans get the opportunity to see one of Poland's top sides in action. In war-time, the pride, courage, spirit and fierce attacking thrusts of her people and fighting-men have become legendary, as has the glorious name of Warsaw, the city where CWKS Legia have their home. In Soccer, despite our national disappointment at seeing England eliminated from the World Cup Competition in 1973 by Poland, the staid residents of the British Isles thrilled to the skills, imagination and uninhibited attacking play of the Polish National Team. The presence of Kazimierz Deyna made Maine Road, Manchester, an exciting place to be last season. Deyna, formerly of CWKS Legia, remains that club's most-capped player for Poland with fifty-two representative honours for his country. While Robert Gadocha and Leslaw Cmikiewicz, with 49 caps and 32 caps respectively, joined Deyna, as members of Poland's Gold Medal Winning Soccer XI at the Munich Olympic Games.

But even the reputation of these great stars is surpassed by the record of the current CWKS Legia trainer-coach Mr. Lucjan Brychczy who represented Poland on sixty occasions. The club speaks with pride of the achievements of these great players for both club and country. We take this opportunity to thank Manchester City for the help they have given us not only in the past, but also in the present, by introducing us to a game against a club with such fine traditions.

Centralny Wojskowy Klub Sportowy Legia, in common with other European

clubs, provides recreational and athletic opportunities far beyond the "shop-window" activities of the Football Section. In all, the club boasts seventeen sections covering a variety of pursuits and caters for more than three-thousand participants. Founded in 1916, it is one of the largest clubs in Poland and between the years 1924 and 1976, CWKS Legia competitors have gained fifty-three Olympic Medals: ten golds, seventeen silver and twenty six bronze — a magnificent collective achievement.

The Football Team of Legia has won the League Championship of Poland four times in 1955, 1956, 1969 and 1970, and the Cup of Poland on six occasions in 1955, 1956, 1964, 1966, 1973 and now in 1980. Whereas we, in Wigan, have played only a handful of games against opposition from outside the British Isles, CWKS Legia have visited many European countries, the United States of America, South America, Africa, Australia and Asia. The club's best performance in the European Champions Cup was in 1969-1970, when it reached the semi-final stage before falling to Feyenoord Rotterdam, who went on to beat Glasgow Celtic in the final.

CWKS Legia now look forward eagerly, as Polish Cup Winners in 1980, to the games to be played in this year's European Cup Winners' Cup Competition. This then is the strength of opposition which Wigan Athletic will face on Wednesday, 6th August, 1980. We look forward to a wonderful evening of quality football, we thank our Polish visitors for gracing us with their presence, we wish them a happy stay in Lancashire, the adopted home of many of their countrymen, and extend sincere greetings to the CWKS Legia Club and to the Polish people.

Current CWKS Legia players who have gained Polish International Honours

With the National XI

Pawel Janas - 25 games
Stefan Majewski - 11 games
Krzysztof Sobieski - 2 games
Janusz Baran - 1 game

Marek Kusto - 16 games
Henryk Miloszewicz - 4 games
Krzysztof Adamczyk - 1 game
Miroslaw Okonski - 1 game

With the Olympic XI

Adam Topolski - 10 games

Edward Zalezny - 7 games

With the Under-21 XI

Zbigniew Kakietek - 16 games
Witold Sikorski - 7 games

Jacek Kazimierski - 11 games

Leading Scorers in Season 1979-1980

Marek Kusto - 11 goals. Henryk Miloszewicz - 9 goals. Miroslaw Okonski - 7 goals. Krzysztof Adamczyk - 6 goals. Witold Sikorski - 6 goals.



CWKS Legia (Warsaw) — Polish Cup Winners 1979-1980

EAST FIFE

(Gold Shirts)

Selected from:-

ALAN BLAIR
DAVE GORMAN
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GORDON SCOTT
MIKE MITCHELL
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SANDY HONEYMAN
ROBIN THOMPSON
JIM SCOTT
DAVE BERRY
JIM MALONE

WIGAN ATHLETIC

(Royal Blue & White Stripes)

Selected from:-

JOHN BROWN
BOB WARD
DAVE FRETWELL
JOHN CURTIS
COLIN METHVEN
NEIL DAVIDS
MAURICE WHITTLE
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JEFF WRIGHT
FRANK CORRIGAN
DAVE McMULLAN
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LAWRENCE TIERNEY
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JIM OLIVER

CWKS LEGIA

(Red Shirts)

Selected from:-

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KRZYSZTOF SOBIESKI
ADAM TOPOLSKI
TADEUSZ CYPKA
PAWEŁ JANAS
STANISŁAW SOBCZYNSKI
WALDEMAR TUMINSKI
RYSZARD MILEWSKI
EDWARD ZALEZNY
STEFAN MAJEWSKI
HENRYK MIŁOSZEWICZ
ZBIGNIEW KAKIETEK
KRZYSZTOF LASON
BOGUSŁAW OBLEWSKI
JANUSZ BARAN
MAREK KUSTO
WITOLD SIKORSKI
KRZYSZTOF ADAMCZYK
MAREK KOMOSA
MAREK OKONSKI

MATCH OFFICIALS

WIGAN ATHLETIC

- v -

EAST FIFE

Referee: Mr. J. B. Worrall
(Warrington)

Linesmen:

Red Flag: Mr. K. Breen
(Liverpool)

Yellow Flag: Mr. J. B. Robinson
(Wigan)

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CWKS LEGIA

Referee: Mr. N. Midgley
(Salford)

Linesmen:

Red Flag: Mr. N. Riley
(Westhoughton)

Yellow Flag: Mr. R. Guy
(Kirkby)

WELCOME TO EAST FIFE FOOTBALL CLUB

ALTHOUGH the East Fife Football Club has not recently enjoyed the success which graced its life-style in the late 1940's and early 1950's, "The Fifers" have always been attractive opposition against which many clubs from South of the Border have been pleased to try their strength. Now in the reorganised Second Division of Scottish League Football, the men from Bayview Park were in their heyday winners of the Scottish Cup in 1938, runners-up in 1927 and 1950, defeated semi-finalists in 1949, and worthy winners of the Scottish League Cup Competition in 1947-1948, 1949-1950 and 1953-1954. In successive seasons, 1951-1952 and 1952-1953, today's visitors finished in third place in the Scottish League First Division behind Hibernian and Rangers. Since the 1950's, the highspot of "The Fifers" playing performances came in 1970-1971, when the Methil club finished as runners-up in the Scottish Second Division, but their days in the top echelons of Scottish Football were cut short by relegation in 1973-1974 and again in 1977-1978. Last year was not one of East Fife's best, but towards the end of the season there were signs that better times might be just around the corner.

For Wigan Athletic supporters the signing of Colin Methven and Ron MacIvor from East Fife, last season, were further examples of Ian McNeill's

shrewd eye for business and ample justification of his occasional "border raids". Ron, after showing early promise, was unable to tie down a first team place and moved on to pastures new at the end of the season; but for Colin Methven, the move to Springfield Park was to bring joy both to the player and the Wigan fans. Thrown in at the deep end, after another poor start to Wigan Athletic's league campaign, Colin quickly established himself as skipper of a side which enjoyed a glorious F.A. Cup run and a series of epic encounters with Blackpool, Northwich Victoria, Chelsea and Everton. Although unable to lead his side into a promotion spot, the quiet Scot captured the hearts of the fans and had it not been for "Superman Brown", would have done even better than gaining runners-up position in the supporters' "Player of the Year" vote. Thank you, Colin, and thank you East Fife for allowing one of your loyal, long-serving players to try his hand at English League Football. Under Colin's leadership, we are looking forward to another great year in 1980-1981.

Welcome then to our friends from Fife, who visit us after returning from a testing tour in Germany. We look forward to an enjoyable game, an hospitable social get-together after the match, and trust you will remember your visit to Wigan in years to come. All best wishes for the future!!

PEN PICTURES OF THE EAST FIFE PLAYERS

Alan Blair (Goalkeeper) — Regular goalkeeper with the club since 1976. Previously with Raith Rovers. A former Schoolboy International, who also played up front during last season!!

Dave Gorman (Goalkeeper) — In his second spell with East Fife. Re-signed last year from Montrose. Previously played with St. Andrews United, when he was capped for Junior Scotland.

Dave Clarke (Player/Manager and Defender) — Longest serving player with the club, being signed from Tynecastle Boys' Club in 1968. Rarely misses a game and begins his third term as Player/Manager.

George Neilson (Midfield) — Originally a winger, but now operates mainly in midfield. A useful "goal-poacher", he was signed from Arncliffe Rangers.

Willie Wedderburn (Midfield) — Signed during the 1978-1979 Season from Leven Royals and has fully justified his regular place in the East Fife team.

Rab Cairns (Midfield) — Another player in his second spell with the club, after sampling life with Ayr United and Berwick Rangers. A former Youth International.

John Huskie (Forward) — Signed from Cameron Boys Club in 1977. Although he had difficulty in holding onto a first-team place in his early days at Bayview, John missed very few games last year.

Willie Herd (Forward) — A fast winger who can also play through the middle. Has had his share of injuries, but has still done enough to attract the attention of English clubs. Formerly played with Edinburgh United.

Ken Mackie (Forward) — Former Dunfermline and Falkirk player. He has been East Fife's top scorer for the past two seasons. Signed as part of an exchange transfer deal in 1977.

Paul Burt (Forward) — Another former Leven Royals player, this youngster plays well whether on the wing or in the centre.

Gordon Scott (Forward) — Dogged by injuries during the 1979-1980 Season, but this former high-scoring Broxburn Junior needs watching.

Mike Mitchell (Midfield) — Signed, last January, from Newburgh Juniors and soon put his name on the score sheet.

Newcomers — David Kelly, Sandy Honeyman, Robin Thompson and Jim Scott are all expected to push hard for first team places in the coming season.



The safe hands of Alan Blair, the East Fife goalkeeper, put an end to a Queen of the South attack.

August Football at Springfield Park

SATURDAY, 9th AUGUST, 1980

Wigan Athletic v Crewe Alexandra
1st Round of the Football League Cup,
1st Leg. Kick-off 3.00 p.m.

SATURDAY, 16th AUGUST, 1980

Wigan Athletic v Hartlepool United
Football League Division 4. Kick-off 3.00 p.m.

SATURDAY, 30th AUGUST, 1980

Wigan Athletic v Aldershot
Football League Division 4. Kick-off 3.00 p.m.

**FOOTBALL LEAGUE CUP 1980/1981 1st ROUND DRAW,
HOME AND AWAY LEGS TO BE COMPLETED WITHIN THE PERIOD
9th/13th AUGUST, 1980.**

A.F.C. Bournemouth	- v -	Swindon Town
Aldershot	- v -	Wimbledon
Blackburn Rovers	- v -	Huddersfield Town
Brentford	- v -	Charlton Athletic
Bury	- v -	Halifax Town
Carlisle United	- v -	Rochdale
Chester	- v -	Stockport County
Chesterfield	- v -	Darlington
Colchester	- v -	Gillingham
Doncaster Rovers	- v -	Mansfield Town
Exeter City	- v -	Bristol Rovers
Grimsby Town	- v -	Notts County
Hereford United	- v -	Newport County
Lincoln City	- v -	Hull City
Northampton Town	- v -	Reading
Peterborough United	- v -	Fulham
Plymouth Argyle	- v -	Portsmouth
Port Vale	- v -	Tranmere Rovers
Rotherham United	- v -	Bradford City
Scunthorpe United	- v -	Barnsley
Sheffield Wednesday	- v -	Sheffield United
Southend United	- v -	Oxford United
Torquay United	- v -	Cardiff City
Walsall	- v -	Blackpool
Watford	- v -	Millwall
Wigan Athletic	- v -	Crewe Alexandra
Wrexham	- v -	Burnley
York City	- v -	Hartlepool United